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bill. I think it's the right thing to do. And I guess I would ask for some feedback. It looks like Senator Bourne is on his feet so it looks like what we ask for we will get. I guess I would ask this: If we can move LB 888 on to Select File and we have kind of a common ground, if this is going to mess up my bike, I don't want my bike messed up. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Friend. Senator Bourne, on the Landis amendment.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Senator Friend, I think this was going to mess up your bike beyond what you've ever seen before (laugh). No, seriously, I sense and understand Senator Landis' frustration, and I've had similar frustration. My personal frustration has been towards the ethanol industry. And Senator Landis has heard me rant and rave in Revenue Committee about the ethanol industry, and you've actually all heard me rant and rave on the floor here about the ethanol industry. I share his frustration on other issues, but it is frustrating. One thing I will tell you is that my district is totally served by MUD. And while I am a state senator, I also am concerned about my constituents. And Senator Landis has promised me he is going to pull this amendment. But as I see the amendment, it is detrimental to my constituents as drafted. Senator Landis has indicated that he's trying to get the parties to sit down and work with one another and come up with something that best serves all of Nebraska. And all I want to say is I've never really been involved in any of these gas wars since I've come here. But one thing I will tell you is that I am going to become informed on how this all works before Senator Landis runs this on Select File and whatever vehicle he uses, Senator Friend's bicycle or some other form of transportation. But I will be informed by that time on exactly how all this works. And I have heard in the past, I don't know if it's true or not, but I have heard in the past that MUD really has not had a voice as it relates to hammering out these differences between these entities. And my intent is to help provide that voice. So, Senator Landis, I'm asking you to include me as part of whatever compromise we work out. I intend to become very involved in this, and I intend to represent my constituents as it relates to the gas service that they have.